



## Michigan Supreme Court

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### MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 11, 2022

TO: District Court Judges  
District Court Administrators

FROM: Thomas P. Boyd, State Court Administrator

RE: Preparedness for Automatically Setting Aside Convictions per MCL 780.621g

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Last year, Michigan became the sixth state to enact automatic conviction relief for a broad range of misdemeanor and felony convictions.<sup>1</sup> This automatic set aside process removes barriers and paves the way for more people to find good jobs, secure safe and affordable housing, strengthen their families and communities, and make our local economies more robust.

One year from today, on April 11, 2023, district courts must set aside all 92 days or less misdemeanor convictions that are not recorded and maintained in the state police database, without the filing of an application, if 7 years have passed from the imposition of sentence. MCL 780.621g(1). Courts will also be responsible for notifying the arresting law enforcement agency of each conviction, on or before the tenth day of each month, that is set aside for the preceding month. *Id.*

Judicial Information Services (JIS) is currently in the process of making programming changes to accommodate the automatic set aside process. Therefore, JIS courts do not need to take any additional steps at this time. However, all non-JIS courts should be having conversations with their case management system vendors to ensure there are procedures in place to set aside convictions automatically and provide notice to law enforcement beginning April 11, 2023.

For more information about automatically setting aside convictions, please [contact your Regional Administrative office.](#)

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<sup>1</sup> [The Reintegration Agenda During Pandemic: Criminal Record Reforms in 2020.](#) (January 2021).